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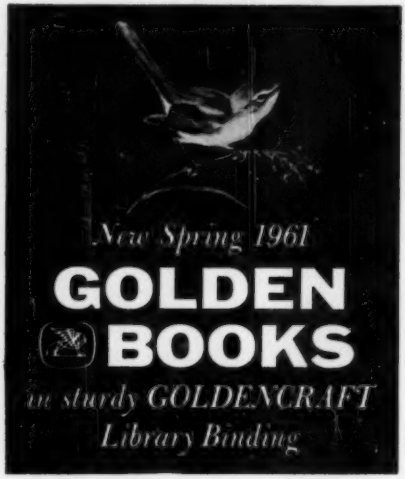

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This set is the first modern, multivolume encyclopedia aimed at authoritative, comprehensive coverage of the physical, natural, and applied sciences. To supplement the 14 volumes (plus index volume), the *McGraw-Hill Yearbook of Science and Technology* is planned, to appear early in 1962; price is not yet known, but encyclopedia owners will be able to purchase it at a discount. The basic stated purpose of the work is "To provide the widest possible range of articles that will be understandable and useful to any person of modest technical training who wants to obtain information outside his particular field of specialization." The level of writing is claimed to be "within the comprehension of the college undergraduate in science or engineering, or of the especially interested high school student." It is also intended to "serve any person of general education, any intelligent layman, who is seriously trying to understand what goes on in the new science oriented world in which he lives. . . ."

The editorial staff is headed by William H. Crouse, a graduate engineer whose

background includes industrial experience and nearly 20 years of technical writing and editing, much of it with the present publisher. Of 12 staff editors listed, 3 are readily identifiable scientists with academic and government careers behind them. The seven-member editorial advisory board includes men of such recognized stature as Dr. Detlev Bronk, president of The Rockefeller Institute and The National Academy of Sciences, and Dr. George Harrison, dean of the School of Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This group assisted in the formulation of editorial plans and policies and in the selection of the 64 consulting editors who are notable for the high reputation possessed by a great proportion of them. Most are affiliated with academic institutions, while some are in industrial, editorial, and governmental positions. The general area of topical responsibility of each consultant is cited with his affiliation. The more than 2,000 contributors are listed in the index volume, with affiliations and titles of articles they wrote for the encyclopedia. Recognized authorities in every field are plentiful, many writing on subjects for which they have received acclaim (Hans Bethe on theoretical physics; Harry Olson on magnetic recording). All articles are initialled, and a separate key to initials accompanies the contributors' list in the index volume.

A one-page Suggestions to the Readers appears at the front of each volume and explains the plan of the encyclopedia. "The subject matter of the various disciplines or branches of science and technology is organized systematically: a general article provides a broad survey of the field, and a number of separate articles, alphabetically arranged, cover its main subdivisions and more specific aspects."

Nearly all articles have at the end one or more *see* references to other related topics; for longer articles, cross references appear at the end of each section. The final volume of the set contains an analytical subject index. Suggestions to the Readers explains the word-by-word alphabetization, cross-reference system, location of index and contributors' list.

Each article begins with a short and usually simple definition. As stated in the Preface, sophistication and depth of treatment are dependent upon the inherent characteristics of the topics; elementary subjects receive relatively simple treatment, and specialized subjects the complex discussions they require. While the initial definitions are readily grasped, the body of most articles requires some background in the subject for good understanding. The approach is typified by the very brief article *Skin*, with cross reference to *Integument* and its quite thorough treatment.

It was the publisher's intention to produce a "work *of*, not *about*, science and technology." This policy determined the exclusion of biographical and historical articles, including (presumably) such related data as lists of Nobel and other prize winners. Historical aspects are occasionally mentioned when pertinent to the development of an article, as in discovery of the various elements or basic physical and chemical principles. The Wright brothers are cited by name in connection with *Gliders* and *Vertical Takeoff and Landing*, but there is no detailing of their research and trials. The *Missile* article mentions World War II as the period of initial development, but deals with present knowledge and practice. And in *Satellite, Artificial* mention is made only that the first success came in October, 1957; the Russians and the word "sputnik" do not appear.

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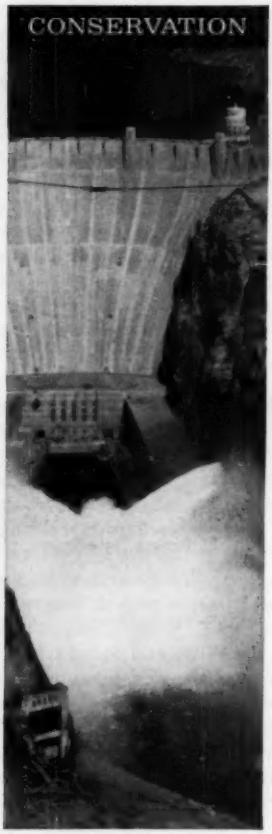

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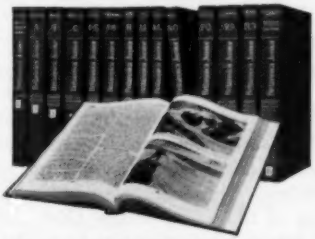

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As a rough measure of representation, 4 samples of 100 consecutive articles, each from 4 different volumes were categorized in 11 arbitrary groups. Distribution by percentage of articles, generally uniform among the 4 groups, was approximately as follows: zoology 21, chemistry 18, technology 16, physics 13, geology 12, botany 8, general biology and physiology 4, medicine 3, astronomy 2, mathematics 2, psychology 1. Every phylum, class, and order in the plant and animal kingdoms has its own article, and many of the more common families, genera, and species also are assigned separate entries. This accounts for the high total per cent noted above in biological areas. The ratio between zoology and botany is roughly equivalent to that between the number of divisions in the animal kingdom and plant kingdoms. The general amount on chemistry and technology is also impressive. Considerable space, for example, is devoted to structural formulas for chemical compounds and derivatives.

Bibliographies appear at the end of nearly 40 per cent of the articles checked in the tabulations above. In many instances where bibliographic references are lacking, cross references at the end of the articles lead to topics supplying pertinent citations. Three quarters of the citations refer to literature of the 1950's, of which the larger proportion are from the period from 1953 to 1958; over 1 per cent are dated 1960. A sizable number are journal articles including a number of foreign references.

Black-and-white line and half-tone illustrations are plentiful and generally well selected; some 9,700 are claimed by the publisher. An interesting feature with each article on a chemical element is the appearance of a small periodic chart clearly showing the position of the element by half-tone screening of all other sections of the chart. Thirty-six color plates of excellent quality and related to the adjacent text are distributed throughout the set. More color plates would be welcome; articles so enhanced are greatly clarified. There are, however, a number of other articles which would be improved by the addition of colored illustrations. While *Color Television* is decoratively provided for, *Printing in Color* is drably and less effectively explained by a black-and-white diagram. Maps are provided for articles on important land areas such as the continents; they also appear with other articles on physical geography and agricultural production. Sources are cited for nearly all maps, diagrams, illustrations, and tables. A large proportion of the zoological and botanical illustrations are taken from three or four comprehensive sources, including some nineteenth-century compilations. In a few instances at least the cuts leave something to be desired, although in general they are adequate for a reference set of this nature.

In test and practical usage, the index volume has served to disclose specific content reasonably well. Few errors were noted, the principal obstacle being that some simpler topics may not appear in the Index, although information on them may be incorporated in an article with a more technical heading. A search for material on freckles uncovered no entry in set or Index; in the article *Pigmentation* some relevant data on freckles does appear. Similarly, a simple explanation of aerodynamic lift could not be located under any of the indexed entries (though much highly technical analysis is there); only by chance, a concise summary was noted in the article *Wing*.

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netohydrodynamics, plasma engines are random examples. The article *Moon* includes the photographs of the far side and other feats of the Luniks, credit being duly given to the U.S.S.R. Abbreviations and acronyms, much used in modern technology, are not separately tabulated; however, a number of them such as GCA (Ground-controlled system) do appear in the Index, with cross reference to full spelling.

The binding of dark blue buckram, with a black edging of the front casing, is attractively and usefully lettered. The offset printing shows few light pages, and text and illustrations are sharp and clear. The index volume uses paper of slightly heavier weight to withstand greater use. Color plates are on coated stock and are usually bled to three or four sides, a handicap in rebinding. Article heads are in boldface, as are subheads (in smaller type) and running heads on each page. McCain sewing does not permit as flat opening as might be desired, but will probably cause little annoyance.

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GRAVES, JOHN. Goodbye to a river, a narrative. Knopf, $4.50.

GROUT, DONALD JAY. A history of Western music. Norton, $8.95.

HEILBRONER, ROBERT L. The future as history. Harper, $4.

HERSEY, JOHN RICHARD. The child buyer. Knopf, $4.

KAHN, HERMAN. On thermonuclear war. Princeton, $10.

KNOWLES, JOHN. A separate peace; a novel. Macmillan, $3.50.

KOBLER, JOHN. The reluctant surgeon; a biography of John Hunter. Doubleday, $4.95.

LAMPEDUSA, GUISEPPE DI. The leopard. Pantheon, $4.50.

LEE, HARPER. To kill a mockingbird. Lippincott, $3.95.

LEWIS, CLIVE STAPLES. The four loves. Harcourt, $3.75.

MCGINLEY, PHYLLIS. Times three; selected verse from three decades, with 70 new poems. Viking, $5.

MAURIAC, FRANÇOIS. The Son of Man. World, $3.

MORISON, ELTING ELMORE. Turmoil and tradition; a study of the life and times of Henry L. Stimson. Houghton, $7.50.

NOWELL, ELIZABETH. Thomas Wolfe, a biography. Doubleday, $5.95.

POPE-HENNESSY, JAMES. Queen Mary, 1867-1953. Knopf, $10.

PRIESTLEY, JOHN BOYNTON. Literature and Western man. Harper, $6.95.

READ, CONYERS. Lord Burghley and Queen Elizabeth. Knopf, $10.

ROSTOW, WALT WHITMAN. Stages of economic growth; a non-communist manifesto. Cambridge Book Co., $3.75.

SCHLESINGER, ARTHUR MEIER. The age of Roosevelt. [v.3] The politics of upheaval. Houghton, $7.50.

SCHWARZ-BART, ANDRÉ. The last of the just. Atheneum, $4.95.

SERGEANT, ELIZABETH SHEPLEY. Robert Frost; the trial by existence. Holt, $6.

SHAPIRO, KARL JAY. In defense of ignorance. Random, $4.

SHIRER, WILLIAM LAWRENCE. The rise and fall of the Third Reich; a history of Nazi Germany. Simon & Schuster, $10.

SNOW, SIR CHARLES PERCY. The affair. Scribner, $4.50.

——The two cultures and the scientific revolution. Cambridge, $1.75.

TEALE, EDWIN WAY. Journey into summer; a naturalist's record of a 19,000-mile journey through the North American summer. Dodd, $5.95.

THELEN, HERBERT ARNOLD. Education and the human quest. Harper, $4.75.

WILLIAMS, VINNIE. Walk Egypt. Viking, $4.50.

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Classified books

000 GENERAL WORKS

Library Buildings and Equipment Institute, *University of Maryland, 1959.* Guidelines for library planners; proceedings. Ed. by Keith Doms and Howard Rovelstad. 1960. 128p. illus., plans. 11 in. American Library Association, paper, $3.75.

General factors in building planning and layout are discussed first, followed by critical analyses of individual plans for public, college, and school libraries. Two papers are included on remodeling. The institute was sponsored by the American Library Association's Library Administration Division.

022.3 Library architecture—Congresses 60-14701

100-200 PHILOSOPHY—RELIGION

Davis, Charles. Liturgy and doctrine. 1961. 123p. Sheed & Ward, $2.50.

An English priest and professor of dogmatic theology briefly views the liturgical and Biblical revivals, a widespread movement that is currently putting new life into Catholicism. How these movements began and what they hope to accomplish is expressively and understandably discussed by an author who sees them as investing the Church with a new sense of communal life. Developed from an article in the *Clergy Review*, November 1959.

264.02 Liturgical movement—Catholic Church 61-7293

Farrer, Austin Marsden. A faith of our own. With a pref. by C. S. Lewis. 1961. 219p. World, $3.75.

An Anglican minister writes with refreshing simplicity of Christian truths and of their meaning in the everyday lives of Christians. Shunning piousness and platitudes and speaking to the heart as well as to the intellect he offers fruitful essays on such themes as Christmas, strength through weakness, self-reliance, and the charms of unbelief. Meaningful to readers of any denomination.

248.42 Faith || Christian life 61-5802

Sulzberger, Cyrus Leo. My brother death. 1961. 225p. Harper, $4.50.

An eminent journalist reflects on death: its physical and intellectual implications, its many faces, and its confrontation by philosophers, kings, soldiers, and saints. Drawing on a wide acquaintance with literature, legend, and history he composes a quietly memorable, gracefully written book on a theme that man has always contemplated.

128.5 Death 61-6181

300 SOCIAL SCIENCES

American Assembly. The Secretary of State. [Don K. Price, ed.] 1960. 200p. diagrs. Prentice-Hall, $3.50; paper, $1.95.

The role of the U.S. Secretary of State as viewed by Dean Acheson and others who have intimate knowledge of the subject. The development and coordination of policy, the execution of foreign policy, and the Secretary's relationship to the President, Congress, and the American public are areas explored. The descriptive rather than critical book served as background reading for the Eighteenth American Assembly, a national meeting on the Secretary of State held at Arden House, Harriman, New York October 6-9, 1960. Of special interest to students of government but also intended for the politically minded general reader.

353.1 U.S. Dept. of State 60-53378 (W)

Annual review of United Nations affairs, 1959. Ed. by Waldo Chamberlin and others. 1961. 240p. New York Univ.; distributed by Oceana, $6.

The current volume of an annual review begins with a general discussion and evaluation of U.N. activities during 1959 and then moves on to specific issues: the arms race, various global crises, organizational matters, and administrative and financial problems. U.N. documents compose a large part of a book valuable to students and others wanting an authoritative overview.

341.13058 United Nations—Yearbooks (50-548)

Carter, Richard. The gentle legions. 1961. 335p. Doubleday, $4.50.

A popular history of the voluntary health organizations in the U.S. such as the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the American National Red Cross, and the National Tuberculosis Association. Anecdotes about founders and about prominent business and social leaders interested in the various causes are mingled with information on policies, association administrative structures, and fund-raising methods.

362 Voluntary health agencies 61-7515

Ferris, Paul. The city. 1961. 224p. Random, $5.

Financial operations in the city of London—its banks, stock exchange, clearing houses, acceptance companies, brokerages, and insurance companies—are explained in a casual and anecdotal fashion for the general reader. The inner workings of such institutions as the Hambros Bank, Ltd. and Lloyd's of London and the intricacies of the gold market are informally described along with quick sketches of the men who work in "the City" within the city.

332.09421 Finance—London || Banks and banking—London 61-5471

Gibney, Frank. The Khrushchev pattern. 1961. 280p. Duell, $4.95.

An assessment of Khrushchev's tactics during the five-year period 1955 to 1960 and their results both at home in the U.S.S.R. and around the world. The author points out that the Khrushchev era of "peaceful coexistence" was on the whole a successful strategy for communism but that the noncommunist nations at last realize that no basic change has been made in Soviet aims or policies and that under its apparent softness Khrushchev's pattern is an uncompromising as that of his predecessors. Covers the same period as Hearst's *Ask me anything* (BOOKLIST 56:680, Jl 15 60) but encompasses a wider range of Communist activities. Appended is a Guide to the Communist parties of the world.

327.47 Russia—For. rel.—1945- 60-16410

Kilpatrick, James Jackson. The smut peddlers. 1960. 323p. Doubleday, $4.50.

The editor of the Richmond *News Leader* presents a thoroughly researched study of the obscenity racket in the U.S. which, considered as a whole, may net $1 billion annually. The author, who sent for obscene material under three fictitious names, gives a firsthand report on varieties of photographs, films, books, and other types of mail-order obscenity. He also discusses the legal approach to obscenity as viewed through a number of cases and speaks of motion picture censorship, pros and cons of censorship, and the current state of public law and private action in regard to censorship. A thoughtful appraisal that deals trenchantly with an important issue.

343.7 Obscenity (Law)—U.S. || Literature, Immoral || Censorship—U.S. 60-15178

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A (W) at the end of an entry indicates that H. W. Wilson catalog cards are available for the title.

May, Ernest R., *ed.* The ultimate decision: the President as Commander in Chief. 1960. 290p. illus., ports. Braziller, $6.

In these essays Ernest May and other U.S. historians reflect on the constitutional clause that makes the President of the U.S. commander in chief of the armed forces, examine the way in which various wartime Presidents managed their responsibilities, and suggest why the U.S. has never been led by a dictator. The final essay on Eisenhower includes a brief discussion of the U-2 incident and concludes with pro and con remarks on the suitability of a President's double role. Primarily of interest to readers with some background in the subject.

353.032 Executive power—U.S. || Civil supremacy over the military—U.S. || U.S.—History, Military 60-15308 (W)

Reeves, Richard Ambrose, *Bp.* Shooting at Sharpeville; the agony of South Africa. With a foreword by Chief Luthuli. 1961. 141p. illus. Houghton, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.50.

The Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, deported by the South African government in 1960 for his long crusade against apartheid, begins this quietly written, deeply shocking account by tracing some of the background events that had bearing on the Sharpeville tragedy of March 21, 1960, in which 69 Africans were killed and 180 others wounded by South African policemen. A carefully factual description of the disaster follows together with a selection of on-the-spot photographs. The findings of an official inquiry—set up through the efforts of Bishop Reeves—are examined in a final section that includes official testimonies of eyewitness observers.

323.2 Sharpeville, South Africa—Massacre, 1960 61-5373

Turner, David Reuben. Homestudy course for civil service jobs; the secret of getting a secure government job. . . . 1960. 286p. illus. 10½ in. Arco, $4.95.

A practical guide for the person interested in civil service employment tells how to find out what jobs are open, how to prepare for the necessary examinations, and what other requirements the applicants need to know about. The examination questions and answers that make up the bulk of the book are not those that the applicant will actually encounter but samples chosen to demonstrate types of problems, the ways in which questions are presented, and the ways in which answers must be recorded. Specific professional and semiprofessional tests are included, as well as those for evaluating mechanical, clerical, verbal, and reasoning abilities.

351.3 Civil service—U.S.—Examinations 60-14793

Vigdorova, F. Diary of a Russian schoolteacher; tr. from the Russian by Rose Prokofieva. 1960. 256p. Grove, $5.

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370.947 Teachers—Correspondence, reminiscences, etc. || Education—Russia 60-11092 (W)

500-600 PURE SCIENCE —APPLIED SCIENCE

Case, Victoria. Applesauce needs sugar. Drawings by Reisie Lonette. 1960. 232p. illus. Doubleday, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.95.

A slight but entertaining reminiscence relates humorous episodes in the life of the author's large Canadian family around the turn of the century. Mamma, a shrewd, indefatigable, and indomitable Irishwoman, stands out as the heroine—urging her husband's moves from Texas to Ontario to Oregon, rearing her 10 children in love and decency, and gradually improving the family fortunes. Five of the fourteen anecdotal chapters originally appeared in the *Saturday Evening Post.*

630.1 60-13505 (W)

Gardner, Erle Stanley. Hunting the desert whale; personal adventures in Baja California. 1960. 208p. illus. Morrow, $6.

The intriguing title refers to the summering place of the gray whale which migrates from the Bering Sea to Scammon's Lagoon in the desert country of Baja (lower) California. The hunting trip described here by an author well known for his Perry Mason detective stories combines exploration of little-known desert country, beachcombing, and an occasional spell of fishing with the hunting—but only with a camera—of the desert whale. An adventure story which will appeal mostly to men and older boys; the language is sometimes rough-and-ready.

599.53 Pacific gray whale || Baja California—Descr. & trav. 60-15276

Garland, Joseph and **Stokes, Joseph,** *eds.* The choice of a medical career; essays on the fields of medicine. 1961. 231p. Lippincott, $5.

Short introductory chapters written in nontechnical language by a panel of doctors who are experienced in the various branches of medicine discussed such as general practice, pediatrics, dermatology, psychiatry, surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, and administration and public health. An aid to the understanding of the aims and methods of modern medicine for the lay reader and a vocational tool for the young adult attracted to the medical field.

610.695 Medicine as a profession 61-8512

Gleason, Sterling. Ultraviolet guide to minerals. 1960. 244p. illus. Van Nostrand, $6.95.

"A complete working manual for the use of ultraviolet light in locating and recognizing minerals, including field identification charts." —*Subtitle.* An aid for amateur collectors, mineralogists, and lapidarists, on day or night field trips or in the laboratory.

549.12 Mineralogy, Determinative || Prospecting—Geophysical methods || Ultra-violet rays—Industrial applications 60-16925

Lemmon, Robert Stell and **Johnson, Charles C.** Wildflowers of North America in full color. 1961. 280p. col. illus. Hanover, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $9.95.

A readable text and a large number of color photographs are brought together in this handsome, informative guide to more than four hundred North American wild flowers. The book is arranged by geographic and climatic areas—the coastal region, Southwest

deserts, the mountains, the prairies, and the woods. Picture captions supply additional information about each plant and a brief discussion of techniques in flower photography is included.

582.13097 Wild flowers—North America
61-5862 (W)

Massey, *Sir* Harrie Stewart Wilson. The new age in physics. 1960. 342p. illus. Harper, $5.

A description of twentieth-century physics which developed following discovery of the principle of relativity and of quantum mechanics. The report on atoms, electrons, and minute particles is followed by examination of the application of physics to a large scale phenomena such as radioastronomy and artificial satellites. A simplified but not a popularized account, to supplement conventional textbooks or for the information of the general reader.

530.9 Physics—Hist. || Nuclear physics—Hist.
60-10427

Piccard, Jacques and **Dietz, Robert Sinclair.** Seven miles down. 1961. 249p. illus. Putnam, $5.

The story of the bathyscaphe *Trieste* from the conception and development of its prototype, the *FNRS-2*, by Auguste Piccard through the history-making seven-mile descent in January, 1960, to the bottom of the Challenger Deep. Written by the Swiss inventor's son, who has piloted all 65 of the *Trieste's* dives, in collaboration with an American oceanographer from the Navy Electronics Laboratory, the book combines vivid descriptions of significant dives in the Mediterranean and Pacific with observations on marine geography and biology, the deep-sea ships of the future, and the importance of oceanographic research. A popular account, with technical descriptions and data appended.

551.46078 Trieste (Bathyscaphe) 60-16679 (W)

Reichert, Robert J. and **Reichert, Elsa.** Binoculars & scopes; how to choose, use, & photograph through them. 1961. 128p. illus. Chilton, $2.95; paper, $1.95.

Explanation of types of binoculars and scopes, descriptions of U.S. and foreign makes, and advice on selecting and using these instruments in photography. Concisely stated, generally usable information. One in the "Modern camera guide series."

535.8 Field-glasses || Telescope || Photography—Handbooks, manuals, etc. 61-5626

Ritch, OCee. Care & repair of your sports car. 1960. 144p. illus. Sports Car Press; distributed by Arco, $2.75.

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629.2222 Sports cars || Automobiles—Maintenance || Automobiles—Repairing 60-15738

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Floyd, Wayne. Floyd's photo tips; [450 short cuts to better picture making]. 1960. [128]p. illus. Amphoto, paper-covered boards, $2.50.

A former U.S. government photographer, now a free-lance cameraman and contributor to photographic magazines, shares with the amateur or beginning professional ideas for taking and developing pictures. The suggestions cover loading and handling film, accessories, lighting, making the print, and care of equipment. Many of the ideas make ingenious use of inexpensive or discarded materials. A detailed index, keyed to the numbered paragraphs of the text, is printed at the beginning of the book. Small but clear photographs of equipment and steps in the photographic processes.

770.28 Photography—Handbooks, manuals, etc.
60-15899

Holmes, William Dayton. Safari, R.S.V.P. 1960. 179p. illus. Coward, $4.

Declaring that an African safari is no longer beyond the ordinary sportsman's reach, the author, a professional hunter, gives full information on safariing in British East Africa. He tells how an expedition is arranged and organized, describes the animals most frequently sought and the methods of hunting them, and

discusses all aspects of outfitting, including the choice of guns and the cost of mounting trophies. Though intended as a practical guide for those actually planning a safari, the book is filled with the writer's own big-game adventures and may appeal to armchair hunters as well.

799.296 Hunting—Africa 60-11289

Johnson, June. The outdoor-indoor fun book; a treasury of everyday games, family and group activities, party and holiday ideas for children from six to twelve. Drawings by Olinka Hrdy. 1961. 210p. illus. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.95.

Not so comprehensive as Cleaver's *The treasury of family fun* (BOOKLIST 57:348, F 15 61) but a useful compilation of games and other activities for the use of parents, teachers, and others who direct children's play. Some of the games are old stand-bys, some are variations of these, and some are new. Directions and diagrams are clear and easy to follow. Two appendixes should prove especially useful—Games for one and Games for two. Chapter references.

793 Games 61-6031 (W)

Kraus, Richard G. The family book of games. Illus. by Carl Pfeufer. 1960. 190p. illus. McGraw-Hill, paper-covered boards, $3.95.

Games for the family together or for each member and friends of his own age. Active and quiet, and indoor and outdoor suggestions. Many familiar games but the compilation will be generally useful. No index.

793 Games 60-9847 (W)

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Shoenfelt, Joseph F. Designing and making handwrought jewelry. 1960. 170p. illus. McGraw-Hill, paper-covered boards, $4.95.

Experimental and imaginative design combined with professional techniques make this a desirable guide for the student or amateur craftsman. The projects shown and described progress from the simple to the more difficult. The manual includes suggestions for finding design ideas in nature and for using materials such as sea shells, beach pebbles, and old buttons in constructing handwrought jewelry.

739.27 Jewelry 60-10613 (W)

Television Information Office, *New York.* Interaction; television public affairs programming at the community level. 1960. 287p. illus. 8½ x 9½ in. Television Information Office, 666 Fifth Ave., N.Y. 19, paper, $3.

Under 15 categories some 60 television stations round about the U.S. pool ideas for public service programs; within each section full-page descriptions of outstanding programs precede paragraph summaries of other programs, arranged alphabetically by city of origin. Robert Lewis Shayon, described in the foreword as radio-television critic of the *Saturday Review,* lecturer, and writer and producer-director of both entertainment and public affairs programs for more than 20 years, has written the introduction, descriptions, and chapter backgrounds. The pleasing format features unusually wide double-column pages and large, clear, well-displayed type.

791.455 Television programs—U.S. 60-16475

Wolchonok, Louis. The art of pictorial composition. 1961. 173p. illus. 11¼ in. Harper, $7.50.

A graphic presentation of the elements of composition through 60 pages of realistic and abstract sketches accompanied by explanatory text. Such concepts as focus of interest, balance, tension, rhythm, repetition and variation, color values, and perspective are discussed in theory and illustrated by example. An aid to art appreciation as well as to the study and practice of painting and design.

741.4 Composition (Art) || Perspective || Drawing—Instruction 60-15202

800 LITERATURE

Daiches, David. A critical history of Eng-

lish literature. 1960. 2v. 1169p. Ronald, 2v., $12.50.

English literature from Anglo-Saxon times to mid-twentieth century is presented in a well-organized, straightforward review. Frequent quotations are used as illustrations but the work is not intended as an anthology.

820.9 English literature—Hist. & crit. 60-6151 (W)

O'Casey, Sean. The drums of Father Ned; [play]. 1960. 109p. illus. St. Martin's, $2.95.

The scene is the town of Doonavale, Ireland as it prepares for the Tóstal festival, the older people grudgingly, but the young people—inspired by the never-seen Father Ned—feverishly. As in other O'Casey plays this is an entertaining melange of humor, satire, and fantasy, served up in thick brogue.

822.912 60-8769

O'Donovan, Michael. Shakespeare's progress, by Frank O'Connor [pseud.] 1960. 191p. World, $3.50.

Critical examination of Shakespeare as writer, thinker, and social commentator in the light of the author's interpretation of his character and personality. The text of the plays is carefully scrutinized and evidences from the poems brought to bear on the analysis of the style, language, and content of the plays. Particular attention is given to plays or sections of plays of debated authorship, and evidence is offered for or against the probability of Shakespeare's actually having written the disputed material. The study is presented in an informal style with occasional observations on personal reactions to reading Shakespeare. No index. Published in somewhat different form in England in 1948 under title: *The road to Stratford.*

822.33 Shakespeare, William 60-11466

900 HISTORY

Blanch, Lesley. The sabres of paradise. 1960. 495p. illus. Viking, $6.75.

A French writer's meticulously detailed study of the nineteenth-century Caucasian rebellion led by Shamyl the Avar, a Mohammedan who led his followers—the Murids—and the Daghestan tribesmen of the Caucasus Mountains against the Czar's army. The rebellion was eventually quelled but as the author effectively illustrates this dramatic, little-known struggle marks an interesting and significant event in Russian history. For the student of history and the more-than-casual reader.

947.9 Daghestan—Hist. || Shamil 60-6785 (W)

Bosi, Roberto. The Lapps. [Tr. by James Cadell]. 1960. 220p. illus. Praeger, $6.50.

The editor's preface explains that this volume in the "Ancient peoples and places" series is devoted to the Lapps because they are, like several other contemporary groups, ancient peoples who have survived to the present day. Archaeological discoveries casting light on the ancient Lapps are informatively discussed as is the way of life of the present-day Lapps. A readable study containing drawings and a section of black-and-white photographs.

947.17 Lapps 60-15600

Carmichael, Joel. An illustrated history of Russia. Ed. by Georges and Rosamond Bernier. 1960. 305p. illus. (part col.) ports. 12½ in. Reynal, paper-covered boards, $20.

A well-known writer and lecturer on Russian affairs provides the text for this lavishly illustrated history of Russia that begins with the sixth century A.D. and ends with the Khrushchev era. Striking portraits, engravings, and photographs, some in color, are an important part of a survey that, while necessarily condensed, does an excellent job of delineating important events and personalities in Russia's political, cultural, and social history.

947.0084 Russia—Hist.—Pictorial works 60-4842

Carr, Albert H. Z. The coming of war; an account of the remarkable events leading to the War of 1812. 1960. 383p. Doubleday, $4.95.

A scholarly yet readable account of U.S. political history in the period between the American Revolution and the War of 1812. Focusing on the relationship between the U.S. and Great Britain and the events that culminated in war between the two countries, the author not only casts new light on the statesmen and political happenings of the period, but points out, in general terms, some of the factors that result in war. An extensive bibliography rounds out a work most significant to those with background in the subject.

973.521 U.S.—Hist.—War of 1812—Causes || U.S.—For. rel.—1783-1815 60-11377

Fischer, Louis. Russia, America, and the world. 1961. 244p. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $4.50.

In a brisk, colorful, journalistic style the author of a number of books on the world situation reports again on world-wide political events through 1960. The cold war and its progress, foreign and domestic affairs of Russia and the U.S., and the recent developments in Ghana, the Congo, Laos, Israel, India, and Cuba are examined in the context of the twentieth-century power struggle.

909.82 World politics—1955- 61-6193 (W)

Human Relations Area Files, inc. Laos; its people, its society, its culture, by the staff and associates of the Human Relations Area Files. Eds.: Frank M. LeBar [and] Adrienne Suddard. 1960. 294p. illus. Human Relations Area Files; distributed by Taplinger, $6.50.

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959.4 Laos 60-7381

Kimble, George Herbert Tinley. Tropical Africa. 1960. 2v. 603, 506p. illus., port., maps (1 fold. col.) 9¾ in. Twentieth Century Fund, 2v., $15.

A comprehensive study of the land and the people in that part of Africa lying 1,600 miles northward and southward of the equator. It presents in a remarkably readable style the facts of geography, climate, and physical characteristics of the area itself, the types of inhabitants and their means of livelihood, and the forms of government, education, and social organization. Maps are used extensively throughout both volumes and each has a section of photographs. The area is treated as a whole although specific countries are treated separately under some topics. A convenient reference section of selected territorial data and the index are included in the second volume only.

967 Africa, Sub-Saharan 60-15160

Labin, Suzanne. The anthill; the human condition in Communist China. Tr. from the French by Edward Fitzgerald. 1961. 442p. Praeger, $6.75.

First published in France in 1959 and later in Great Britain this book by a French political analyst records the experiences of 54 Chinese refugees whom she interviewed in Hong Kong. She explains that in cases where the refugees could speak neither French nor English she questioned them through interpreters supplied by the free trade unions of Hong Kong. The reader with some background knowledge of Red China will be interested in these accounts of peasants, intellectuals, merchants, fishermen, and others who give firsthand impressions of the regime from which they escaped.

951.05 China (People's Republic of China, 1949-)—Soc. condit. || Communism—China (People's Republic of China, 1949-) 60-15061

McKie, Ronald Cecil Hamlyn. The heroes. 1961. 307p. illus. Harcourt, $4.95.

An Australian journalist's absorbing re-creation of operations Jaywick and Rimau—two raids on Singapore in which a handful of Australian and British commandos participated. The first raid in 1943 is seen as a seemingly impossible but successful venture that involved sailing a Japanese fishing boat from Australia to an island near Singapore and blowing up Japanese ships in the harbor. The second raid, unlike the first, ended in tragedy; in telling of Operation Rimau and the fate of its participants the author pieces together information from both Allied and Japanese sources. A meticulously detailed account of exploits that outdo fiction.

940.5426 Operation Jaywick || Operation Rimau 61-6645 (W)

Sherwin, Mark and **Markmann, Charles Lam.** One week in March. 1961. 254p. illus. Putnam, $3.95.

A popular account telling of the inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt, Hitler's preplanned election in Germany, the beginning of a four-day bank holiday in the U.S., and other high lights in the first week of March, 1933. Social and cultural as well as political and economic events and trends are also noted in a book that gives most of its attention to the U.S. but looks now and then at other countries. A lively survey of a crowded and historic seven days.

973.917 History—Yearbooks—1933 || U.S.—Hist.—1919-1933 61-6899 (W)

910 GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL

Debenham, Frank. Antarctica; the story of a continent. 1961. 264p. illus. Macmillan, $5.50.

An informative book by an Englishman who

is founder-director of the Scott Polar Research Institute in Cambridge and who served as a geologist in Captain Robert Scott's second and last Antarctic expedition. After describing some past and some more recent expeditions the author discusses the continent's geography, birds and animals of the polar waters, and man's adaptation to life at the South Pole. Such topics as the psychology of polar expeditions and the probable political future of the region are also briefly explored.

†919.9 [999] Antarctic regions 61-5597 (W)

Gillespie, Janet. Bedlam in the back seat. Drawings by Alden Wicks. 1961. 244p. illus. Crowell, $3.95.

With more optimism than foresight the author and her teacher husband embarked on a trip to Europe and the British Isles with four children ranging in age from eight to sixteen. This uninhibited account of their five months' tour in a Volkswagen bus underlines the problems posed by restricted quarters, Continental inconveniences, and the children's predisposition toward car sickness and mischief. Readers will find, however, that such distractions did not keep Mrs. Gillespie from viewing Old World scenes with an observant and appreciative eye.

†914 Europe—Descr. & trav.—1945- 61-5954

Mayer, Tony. La vie anglaise. Tr. by Christopher Sykes. Illus. by Osbert Lancaster. 1961. 190p. illus. Atheneum, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.95.

A cultural attaché with the French embassy who has lived in London since 1940 gives a thumbnail portrait of a country he loves but still finds puzzling at times. His remarks on English politics, food, holidays, schools, the royal family, clubs and pubs, and other features of national life are straightforward, frequently witty, and, on the whole, enlightening.

914.2 Gt. Brit.—Soc. life & cust. 61-6378 (W)

Potter, John Stauffer. The treasure diver's guide. 1960. 501p. illus. Doubleday, $9.50.

Information on how to go about locating and identifying sunken treasure precedes the sections of maps and descriptions of many treasures around the world already sought for and found, or not found, or still to be searched for. Although it may be a stimulus and aid to some actual treasure hunting the book is likely to be consulted most by armchair adventurers.

910.453 Treasure-trove || Diving, Submarine 61-5942

Statler, Oliver. Japanese inn. 1961. 365p. illus. Random, $6.50.

Using such business and family records as have survived, and filling in the gaps with local legends and contemporary accounts, an American habitué of the Minaguchi-ya relates the history of this 400-year-old Japanese inn, at the same time presenting a cross section of Japanese social and political history. Obliged by law to offer hospitality to fellow-samurai traveling between Kyoto and Tokyo, the owners found the financial burden so impossible that they relinquished their rank and became innkeepers. The fortunes and misfortunes of the Minaguchi-ya and the Mochizuki family from the sixteenth century until now make an exotic and lively account, suitably and generously illustrated with reproductions of woodblock prints by well-known Japanese artists, mainly of the nineteenth century.

915.2 Minaguchiya, Okitsu, Japan || Japan—Soc. life & cust. 61-6236 (W)

Uris, Leon M. Exodus revisited. Photography by Dimitrios Harissiadis. 1960. 284p. illus. 11¼ in. Doubleday, $5.95.

A photographic documentary of places mentioned in Uris' *Exodus* (BOOKLIST 55:157, N 15 58), a novel which has had, the publisher states, a markedly stimulating effect on Israel's tourist trade. Handsome, excellently reproduced photographs by a noted Greek cameraman are the principal feature of this striking volume planned by Uris, who also wrote the running commentary. Ilan Hartuv, an Israeli pioneer of many and varied talents, served as coordinator of the project.

915.694 Israel—Hist.—Pictorial works 60-13085 (W)

920 OR B BIOGRAPHY

Baugh, Virgil E. Rendezvous at the Alamo; highlights in the lives of Bowie, Crockett, and Travis. 1961. 251p. illus. Pageant, $3.50.

An archivist at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. presents abbreviated biographical profiles of three men who died at the Alamo: James Bowie, Davy Crockett, and William Travis. Some of the myths surrounding the fall of the Alamo in 1836 are briefly surveyed in the final chapter of a rather pedestrian but informative account for the student of U.S. history and the general reader.

923.973 Crockett, David || Bowie, James || Travis, William Barret || Alamo—Siege, 1836 60-12286

Link, Arthur Stanley. Wilson. [v.3] The struggle for neutrality, 1914-1915. 1960. 736p. illus., ports. Princeton, $10.

The third of a multivolume study traces in detail President Wilson's handling of international affairs during the first 15 months of World War I. There is relatively little attention given to his personal life. The preceding volumes were titled *Wilson* [v.1] *The road to the White House* (BOOKLIST 43:329, Je 15 47) and *Wilson* [v.2] *The new freedom* (1956. 520p. Princeton, $7.50.)

B Wilson, Woodrow, Pres. U.S. (47-3554)

Melady, Thomas Patrick. Profiles of African leaders. 1961. 186p. Macmillan, $4.95.

The political careers and ideas of Haile Selassie, Mboya, Nyerere, Tubman, Nkrumah, Abubakar, and other present-day African leaders are discussed by an American scholar who views each man against the background of his respective country. The book begins with a very brief overview of recent changes in Africa, continues with the individual profiles, and ends with speculations about Africa's future. A timely, factual survey based on the author's interviews with many of the leaders discussed.

†923.26 [960.3] Africa—Biog. 61-5661 (W)

Fiction

Davenport, Gwen. The Wax Foundation, a novel. 1961. 383p. Doubleday, paper-covered boards with cloth fore edges, $3.95.

Mrs. Evalina Wax leaves the bulk of her fortune to establish a foundation for the improvement of society, and names her long-suffering middle-aged nephew Aaron Wagner resident administrator at $200 a month. Though Aaron does his conscientious best he cannot prevent the oddly assorted Wax Fellows from breaking every one of their benefactress' rules, so that the Foundation has to be dissolved. When Aaron learns that the estate devolves on him with the proviso that he maintain it as the Wax Museum, he refuses the inheritance and goes off to open a restaurant with his fiancée: what he does not know is that when the legal tangle is unraveled he will be the sole heir, with no strings attached. Satire without a sting.

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Duncan, Jane. My friend Monica. 1961. 277p. St. Martin's, $3.95. Publication date April 4.

Scottish Janet Sandison, the narrator-protagonist of *My friend Muriel* (BOOKLIST 57: 209, D 1 60) tells in this welcome sequel of her marriage to "Twice" Alexander and of the complications that arise when "my friend Monica" lives in their home during Janet's long invalidism. After Janet's recovery the Alexanders and Monica visit Janet's family in the Highlands, and it is here that an important friendship is repaired and Janet learns the reasons behind Monica's supposed disloyalty. Not as entertaining as its predecessor, but once again the author writes with spontaneity and conviction of people and personal relationships.

61-6698

Evans, Fallon. The trouble with Turlow. 1961. 216p. Doubleday, $3.50.

The trouble with Harry Turlow, professor at a small Catholic college for girls, is that he genuinely likes teaching and Holy Mary College too much to look for a job with more money and prestige. His wife Mary Pat shares his feelings about these things but is hard put to it to tolerate boorish Professor Brownleigh, whose visits invariably bring on some preposterous situation, and Finesteel, a pseudo scholar who usually walks off with academic plums. A television show to advertise the college precipitates several absurd incidents and ends in fiasco, Brownleigh and Finesteel eliminate themselves by their too-clever scheming, and Turlow's future is assured. A mildly farcical tale of academic absurdities.

61-5967

Gallie, Menna. Man's desiring. 1961. 192p. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.50.

Griff Rowlands, a plain-spoken young man from Wales, does not take long to adjust to his new life as an assistant lecturer in an English university. He makes friends and an enemy or two, learns the idiosyncrasies of his colleagues, is attracted to several women, one of them a flamboyantly independent teacher of English, and, in general, has a full and increasingly complicated life. Peopled with characters who immediately capture the reader's interest this high-spirited story is genuinely witty and continually perceptive.

61-6203 (W)

Leslie, Doris. The Prime Minister's wife. 1961. 319p. Doubleday, $3.95.

Without softening any of the contemporary criticisms or gossip about Mary Anne Disraeli the author has pictured an extraordinary and vital woman whose progress from farm and milliner's shop to the proud position of wife and political helpmeet to England's Prime Minister was a well-deserved reward. Di-

minutive, lively, a complete extrovert, passionately interested in politics and social reform, intelligent but untutored, and possessed of a startlingly robust wit, Mary Anne was a woman to repel her own sex, captivate all males, and win and hold the complete devotion of two husbands, one much older and the other, Disraeli, much younger. Seen against the setting of Regency and Victorian politics, the Disraelis present a bizarre, touching, and unforgettable picture.

Beaconsfield, Mary Anne (Evans) Disraeli, viscountess—Fiction 61-5229 (W)

Lobsenz, Herbert. Vangel Griffin. 1961. 371p. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $4.50.

Vangel Griffin, a young American contemplating suicide, gives himself a year of grace, leaves his wife, and goes to present-day Madrid where he enrolls in the university. A chance meeting in a café leads to his meeting with Alonso and Satry Cordero, a Spanish brother and sister who shatter the previous patterns of his life. Vangel, a self-confessed puritan, learns of love from Satry and from Alonso the meaning of total commitment to an ideal. The Corderos' violent deaths and Vangel's decision to return to his wife and a newly dedicated life in the U.S. conclude the novel. An uneven work but one that matures as it progresses. Some frank sexual episodes.

61-6184 (W)

Lytton, David. The Goddam white man. 1961. 247p. Simon & Schuster, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.50.

An impassioned novel set in present-day Cape Town and narrated in the first person by Johannes, the highly intelligent illegitimate son of a white man and a native servant. Johannes, who traces in detail his metamorphosis from chauffeur to leader of a small but highly successful crime syndicate, emerges as a vital, wholly credible person whose life is shaped by his hatred of the white man. His relationship and brief affair with the daughter of a white employer, affection for a close friend killed during a robbery, and the small measure of peace that a house by the sea brings to him are some of the episodes and moods effectively portrayed in this single-minded, well-written story.

61-5841

Maier, William. The temper of the days. 1961. 381p. Scribner, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $4.50.

David Hapgood and Jim Hutchinson, friends since college days, reach a crisis in their long friendship that involves David's possible foreclosure of the mortgage on Jim's house. In making his decision about the house David, a research scientist, thinks back over his checkered association with Jim and his own marriage and career and in the process gains a deeper knowledge of his past and present. Some of the characters are stilted at times, but personalities are clearly etched and the flash backs into the 1920's and 1930's seem as real as the present-day episodes. The setting is New England.

61-6901 (W)

Shadbolt, Maurice. The New Zealanders: a sequence of stories. 1961. 256p. Atheneum, $4.

Eleven short stories, nearly all of which are set in the back country or in the cities of New Zealand; a few are about New Zealanders away from home. The stories which are arranged in three groups, Wave walkers, Cloud riders, and In the blind canyon, reflect a wide variety of cultural backgrounds from the native Maori to the sophisticated urban, but have in common a flair for colloquial dialog and precise detail. One story, "The strangers," appeared originally in the *New Yorker*.

61-6374

Stone, Irving. The agony and the ecstasy; a novel of Michelangelo. 1961. 664p. Doubleday, $5.95. Publication date March 17.

The novel opens with Michelangelo's apprenticing himself to the artist Ghirlandaio at the age of thirteen and traces in detail his rise to fame and his long life that ended in death at age ninety. Michelangelo's creativity and intensity are successfully conveyed and his role in contemporary Florentine and Roman political and religious life carefully recreated.

Buonarroti, Michel Angelo—Fiction 61-6520 (W)

Suggested for the

small library

Davenport. The Wax Foundation. 422. (fiction)
Floyd. Floyd's photo tips. 417.
Gibney. The Khrushchev pattern. 414.
Lemmon. Wildflowers of North America in full color. 416.
Piccard. Seven miles down. 417.
Shadbolt. The New Zealanders. 423. (fiction)
Sherwin. One week in March. 420.
Stone. The agony and the ecstasy. 423. (fiction)
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Children's books

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Thomas. Copernicus. 432.

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BORN FREE, A LIONESS OF TWO WORLDS, by Joy Adamson. Pantheon, $4.95.
Elsa, an orphan lion cub, is reared by the Adamsons and, after learning the ways of her own kind, returns to the African bush.

DR. SCHWEITZER OF LAMBARÉNÉ, by Norman Cousins. Harper, $3.95.
A personal glimpse of Schweitzer, his work in Africa, and his views on the most urgent problems of today.

THE GOOD YEARS: FROM 1900 TO THE FIRST WORLD WAR, by Walter Lord. Harper, $4.95.
The most explosive and significant events in the U.S. are colorfully portrayed in a reappraisal of the "good years."

GRANT MOVES SOUTH, by Bruce Catton. Little, $6.50.
Grant's development as a man and leader is brilliantly shown in this reconstruction of his Mississippi campaign.

THE KINGDOM WITHIN, by Genevieve Caulfield. Ed. by Ed Fitzgerald. Harper, $4.
Though blind herself since infancy, this brave American woman determined to set up a school for the blind in the Orient.

THE LONG HAUL, A NOVEL, by Denys Arthur Rayner. McGraw-Hill, $3.95.
The story of a British destroyer captain faced with towing a crippled tanker and fighting off enemy aircraft and submarines in the stormy North Atlantic.

THE LOVELY WORLD OF RICHI-SAN, by Allan R. Bosworth. Harper, $3.95.
A navy officer in post-World War II Tokyo learns through Richi-san and her family that Japan and its people have great beauty and sensitivity.

MAN HIGH, by David G. Simons and Don A. Schanche. Doubleday, $4.50.
The thrilling account of Simons' record-breaking 102,000-foot ascent in a balloon-borne gondola to study the effects of space on a human being.

MISTRESS OF MELLYN, by Victoria Holt. Doubleday, $3.95.
At a gloomy manor house in Cornwall governess Martha Leigh gradually unravels the mystery surrounding the death of the master of Mellyn's first wife.

THE NIGHT THEY BURNED THE MOUNTAIN, by Thomas A. Dooley. Farrar, $4.50.
Dr. Dooley's return to a village in Laos to wage war against disease, filth, ignorance, and poverty and to fight his personal battle against cancer.

NIGHT WITHOUT END, by Alistair MacLean. Doubleday, $3.95.
After an airliner crashes on the Greenland icecap, scientist Peter Mason discovers there are two unidentified killers among the passengers.

RING THE NIGHT BELL, by Paul Budd Magnuson. Ed. by Finley Peter Dunne, Jr. Little, $5.
A Midwestern surgeon's absorbing account of his experiences.

STORM THE LAST RAMPART, by David Taylor. Lippincott, $4.95.
Adventures of Bennet Paige, captain in the Continental Army and spy behind the British lines in the final desperate days of the Revolutionary War.

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD, by Harper Lee. Lippincott, $3.95.
A realistic picture of adult life in a small Alabama town seen through the eyes of an eight-year-old girl whose lawyer-father defies race prejudice.

TO MOSCOW—AND BEYOND, by Harrison Evans Salisbury. Harper, $4.95.
A *New York Times* correspondent vividly describes the changes that have occurred in Khrushchev's Russia.

TRUSTEE FROM THE TOOLROOM, by Nevil Shute Norway (Nevil Shute, pseud.) Morrow, $3.95.
Adventure awaits Keith Stewart, a shy, middle-aged Englishman, when he sets out to recover his niece's inheritance lost in a South Sea shipwreck.

WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR, by Carl Thomas Rowan and John Roosevelt Robinson. Random, $4.95.
An intimate account which presents with earnestness and warmth Jackie Robinson's poverty-stricken early life, his spectacular advancement in baseball, and his struggle for equal rights for Negroes.

THE WASTE MAKERS, by Vance Oakley Packard. McKay, $4.50.
The wastefulness that is being promoted today, together with the effects of all-out commercialization on the American people.

WATCHER IN THE SHADOWS, A NOVEL, by Geoffrey Household. Little, $3.95.
Stalked by an unknown murderer, former British agent Charles Dennim plays a grim game of cat-and-mouse through the English countryside.

THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD, by Elizabeth Cadell. Morrow, $3.50.
A handsome young man seen leading a goat in the middle of London starts Jody along the way to danger and romance.

Books for young people

A selection of books for young people ages 14-18 which includes both adult books especially suitable for this age group and books written for teen-agers. Check other sections for books which may also be useful in some young people's collections.

Asimov, Isaac. Realm of measure. Diagrs. by Robert Belmore. 1960. 186p. illus. Houghton, $2.75.

The author of *Realm of numbers* (BOOKLIST 56:244, D 15 59) has written an equally lucid discussion of the origin, refinement, and use of the various units of measurement. Considering both the English and metric systems and explaining methods of conversion, he begins with simple units used in measuring length, mass, and time, progresses to the more complicated measurement of velocity, force, energy, and power, and concludes with the complex dimensions involved in the quantum theory and relativity. Interesting in approach and informal in style, the book will be useful with high school and mathematically-minded junior high school students.

389.1 Weights and measures 60-9091 (W)

Barker, Anthony. The man next to me. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.50.

A British missionary doctor recounts his work among the Zulus in a small native hospital in South Africa. Recommended for mature readers. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:105, O 15 60.

Carter, Gwendolen Margaret. Independence for Africa. Praeger, $4.50; paper, $1.65.

Oriented around the writer's extensive travels in Africa south of the Sahara in 1958 and 1959, this is a readable summary of political developments in the drive toward independence. Particularly recommended for school libraries. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:288, Ja 15 61.

Case, Victoria. Applesauce needs sugar. See note on p.416.

Clarke, Tom E. The puddle jumper. 1960. 191p. Lothrop, $3.50.

The son of an Alaskan bush pilot, Arne Petersen practically grew up in his father's plane and by the age of seventeen was taking over the controls on commercial flights. Though he and his father knew Arne was violating F.A.A. regulations, it took some misadventures and a temporary grounding to teach them both a lesson about obedience to authority. Vivid present-day Alaska background and good flying detail in an uncontrived story for younger teen-age boys.

60-12036 (W)

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Cousins, Norman. In place of folly. Harper, paper-covered boards with cloth backbone, $3.

The editor of the *Saturday Review* states his conviction that warfare and the use of nuclear weapons can—and must—be avoided through a world law administered by a world federation. Challenging reading for thoughtful young people. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:310, F 1 61.

Daiches, David. A critical history of English literature. 2v.

Recommended for supplementary use in high school libraries. See also note on p.418.

Dobie, James Frank. I'll tell you a tale, selected and arr. by [the author] and Isabel Gaddis. Little, $6.50.

This excellent collection contains 30 of the author's tales about longhorns and mustangs, cowboys and miners, set in the Southwest and Mexico. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:166, N 15 60.

Douglas, William Orville. My wilderness. Doubleday, $4.95.

In relating his outdoor experiences in the Pacific West, Justice Douglas expresses his appreciation of the untouched wilderness and his plea for its preservation. Appeal for older boys. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:200, D 1 60.

Eisenhower, Dwight David, *Pres. U.S.* Peace with justice. Columbia, $4.

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aspect of world peace. Suggested for high school collections. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:345, F 15 61.

Eisner, Will. A pictorial arsenal of America's combat weapons. Sterling, $3.95.
Suitable for teen-age boys. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:283, Ja 15 61.

Hammond-Innes, Ralph. The doomed oasis. Knopf, $3.95.
When young David Thomas, illegitimate son of Colonel Whitaker, goes to Arabia in search of his father, he becomes dangerously involved in tribal feuds and the struggle for oil. Unusual background, adventure, and conflict in a novel recommended for older boys, though the considerable amount of violence and adult treatment of sex will limit it to mature readers. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:240, D 15 60.

Kraus, Richard G. The family book of games.
See note on p.418.

Lemmon, Robert Stell and **Johnson, Charles C.** Wildflowers of North America in full color.
See note on p.416.

Leuzinger, Elsy. Africa; the art of the Negro peoples. McGraw-Hill, $7.95.
Discusses the art of the Negro peoples, interpreting it in terms of their cultural background. Though the fact that the many color illustrations are only tipped in will be a drawback, this excellent study merits consideration for high school and young adult collections, particularly those building up material on Africa. See also note in BOOKLIST 57:315, F 1 61.

Melady, Thomas Patrick. Profiles of African leaders.
See note on p.422.

Orlob, Helen. Daring young men in the flying machines.
See note on p.432.

Piccard, Jacques and **Dietz, Robert Sinclair.** Seven miles down; the story of the bathyscaph Trieste.
See note on p.417.

Rogers, Frances. Painted rock to printed page.
See note on p.432.

Shoenfelt, Joseph F. Designing and making handwrought jewelry.
See note on p.418.

Thomas, Henry. Copernicus.

May be useful in high school collections despite its simplified style. See also note on p.432.

Uris, Leon M. Exodus revisited.

A photographic visit to modern Israel recommended for larger collections. See also note on p.421.

Vigdorova, F. Diary of a Russian schoolteacher.

For mature readers. See also note on p.415.

Walters, Hugh. First on the moon. 1960. 192p. Criterion, $3.50.

The simultaneous launching by the Western powers and Russia of manned rockets to the moon brings the young English astronaut Chris Godfrey and Serge Smyslov, his Soviet counterpart, together in the crater of Plato. Despite their rival missions and conflicting ideologies the two soon find that their only hope of survival and return to earth lies in helping each other and combining their efforts. A timely and reasonably credible sequel to *Menace from the moon* (BOOKLIST 55:376, Mr 1 59) for younger science fiction fans.

60-14138 (W)

Wibberley, Leonard Patrick O'Connor. Black Tiger at Bonneville, by Patrick O'Connor [pseud.] 1960. 135p. Washburn, $2.95.

Woody Hartford, the sports-car racing driver whose adventures at Sebring, Le Mans, and in the Mexican Road Race were told in previous books, meets a new challenge in this fast-paced story. With the help of his Scots mechanic Worm McNess, a genius in automotive engineering, Woody builds the Black Tiger Special, a revolutionary car designed to travel at 450 miles per hour, and breaks the world land speed record on the salt flats at Bonneville. Engaging characters, lively humor, and sufficient mechanical detail to satisfy teen-age hot rod enthusiasts.

60-13323 (W)

Children's books

Asimov, Isaac. Realm of measure.

See note on p.425.

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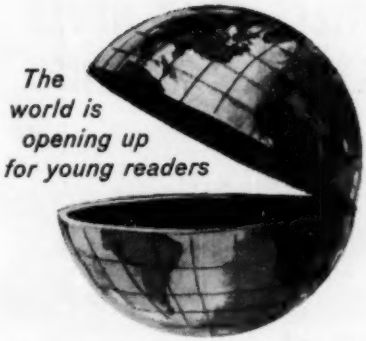

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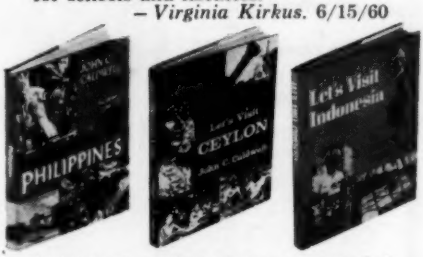

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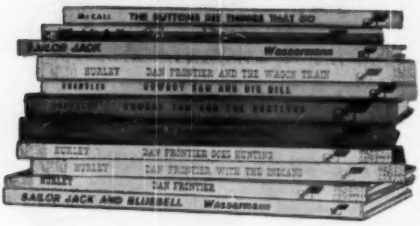

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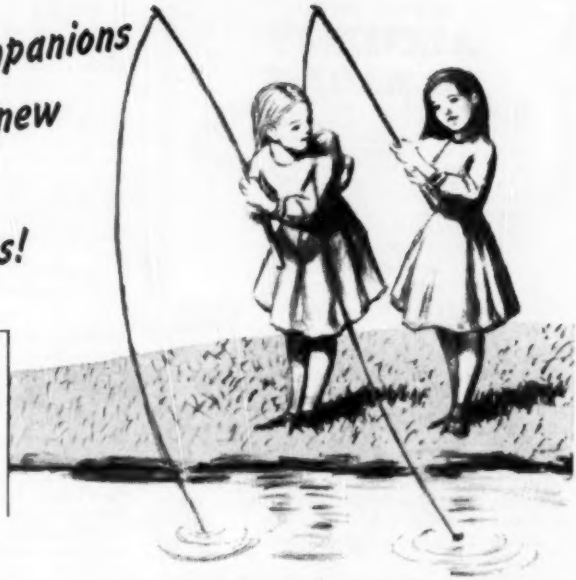

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Schiffer, Don. The first book of swimming. Pictures by Julio Granda. 1960. 65p. illus. Watts, $1.95.

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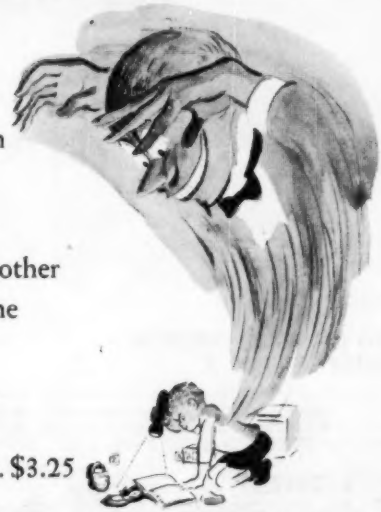

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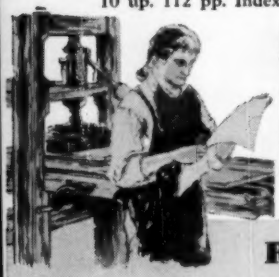

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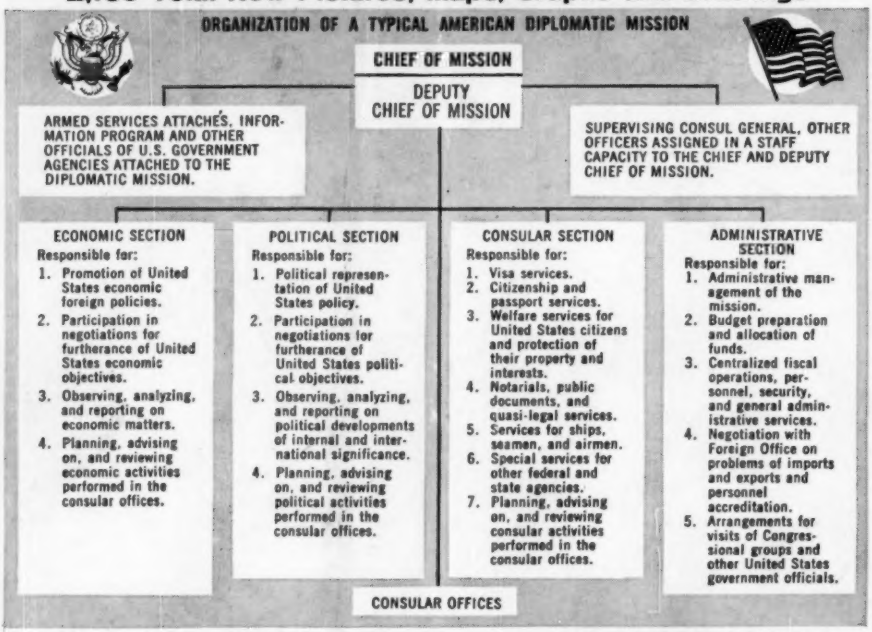

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